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Patent
Attorney's Docket No. 018656-048

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

) **BOX AF**

Yoshinori SUGAHARA

) Group Art Unit: 2624

Application No.: 09/178,887

) Examiner: D. Tran

Filed: October 27, 1998

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For: PRINTING SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (248) [] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- Also enclosed is _____
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$370.00 (279) [] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least ___, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.

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An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims		MINUS =		× \$18.00 (103) =	
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$84.00 (102) =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (104)					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					

A claim fee in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

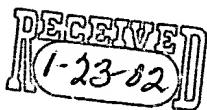
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 23, 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 11, and 22 as follows.

1. (Twice Amended) A print system, comprising:
 - a print server;
 - a plurality of printers connected to the print server;
 - a plurality of computers connected to the print server;
 - the print server includes a job observation module for monitoring and gathering the status of the plurality of printers connected to the print server, and sends the gathered status to the plurality of computers; and
 - each of the computers includes a status monitor for displaying the status.